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Quarterly Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 for the quarterly period ended July 1, 2017
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BERRY GLOBAL GROUP, INC.

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Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant: (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) have been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company," and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer	Accelerated filer	Non-accelerated filer	Smaller reporting company	Emerging growth company
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If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 7(a)(2)(B) of the Securities Act. Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934).
Yes No

Class	Outstanding at August 4, 2017
Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share	130.4 million shares

CAUTIONARY STATEMENT CONCERNING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This Form 10-Q includes "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, with respect to our financial condition, results of operations and business and our expectations or beliefs concerning future events. The forward-looking statements include, in particular, statements about our plans, strategies and prospects under the heading "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations." These statements contain words such as "believes," "expects," "may," "will," "should," "would," "could," "seeks," "approximately," "intends," "plans," "estimates," "outlook," "anticipates" or "looking forward" or similar expressions that relate to our strategy, plans, intentions, or expectations. All statements we make relating to our estimated and projected earnings, margins, costs, expenditures, cash flows, growth rates and financial results or to our expectations regarding future industry trends are forward-looking statements. In addition, we, through our senior management, from time to time make forward-looking public statements concerning our expected future operations and performance and other developments. These forward-looking statements are subject to risks and uncertainties that may change at any time, and, therefore, our actual results may differ materially from those that we expected. We derive many of our forward-looking statements from our operating budgets and forecasts, which are based upon many detailed assumptions. While we believe that our assumptions are reasonable, we caution that it is very difficult to predict the impact of known factors, and it is impossible for us to anticipate all factors that could affect our actual results. All forward-looking statements are based upon information available to us on the date of this Form 10-Q.

Readers should carefully review the factors discussed in our most recent Form 10-K in the section titled "Risk Factors" and other risk factors identified from time to time in our periodic filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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Part I. Financial Information

Item 1. Financial Statements

Berry Global Group, Inc.

Consolidated Statements of Income

(Unaudited)

(in millions of dollars, except per share amounts)

	Quarterly Period Ended		Three Quarterly Periods Ended	
	July 1, 2017	July 2, 2016	July 1, 2017	July 2, 2016
Net sales	\$1,906	\$1,645	\$5,214	\$4,871
Costs and expenses:				
Cost of goods sold	1,518	1,296	4,177	3,885
Selling, general and administrative	128	129	373	421
Amortization of intangibles	40	35	113	106
Restructuring and impairment charges	8	6	18	29
Operating income	212	179	533	430
Other (income) expense, net	(1)	(14)	18	(17)
Interest expense, net	68	73	203	222
Income before income taxes	145	120	312	225
Income tax expense	38	24	82	66
Net income	\$107	\$96	\$230	\$159
Net income per share:				
Basic	\$0.82	\$0.79	\$1.82	\$1.32
Diluted	0.79	0.76	1.75	1.28
Outstanding weighted-average shares:				
Basic	129.9	121.1	126.6	120.5
Diluted	135.2	125.9	131.4	123.9

Berry Global Group, Inc.

Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income

(Unaudited)

(in millions of dollars)

	Quarterly Period Ended		Three Quarterly Periods Ended	
	July 1, 2017	July 2, 2016	July 1, 2017	July 2, 2016
Net income	\$107	\$96	\$230	\$159
Currency translation	24	(16)	4	39
Defined benefit pension and retiree health benefit plans	—	—	13	—
Interest rate hedges	(1)	(4)	23	(20)
Provision for income taxes related to other comprehensive	—	1	(8)	8

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income items

Other comprehensive income, net of tax

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Comprehensive income

\$130 \$77 \$262 \$186

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

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Berry Global Group, Inc.
Consolidated Balance Sheets
(in millions of dollars)

	July 1, 2017 (Unaudited)	October 1, 2016
Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 275	\$ 323
Accounts receivable (less allowance of \$13 and \$8, respectively)	844	704
Inventories:		
Finished goods	473	397
Raw materials and supplies	338	263
	811	660
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	92	105
Total current assets	2,022	1,792
Property, plant, and equipment, net	2,375	2,224
Goodwill and intangible assets, net	4,096	3,606
Other assets	52	31
Total assets	\$ 8,545	\$ 7,653
Liabilities		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 581	\$ 539
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	498	449
Current portion of long-term debt	34	43
Total current liabilities	1,113	1,031
Long-term debt, less current portion	5,857	5,712
Deferred income taxes	416	272
Other long-term liabilities	311	417
Total liabilities	7,697	7,432
Stockholders' equity		
Common stock (130.4 and 122.0 million shares issued, respectively)	1	1
Additional paid-in capital	814	449
Non-controlling interest	3	3
Accumulated equity (deficit)	146	(84)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(116)	(148)
Total stockholders' equity	848	221
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 8,545	\$ 7,653

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

Berry Global Group, Inc.
Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows
(Unaudited)
(in millions of dollars)

	Three Quarterly Periods Ended July	
	1, 2017	July 2, 2016
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:		
Net income	\$230	\$159
Adjustments to reconcile net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation	270	284
Amortization of intangibles	113	106
Non-cash interest expense	6	8
Deferred income tax	39	23
Stock compensation expense	16	17
Other non-cash operating activities, net	26	(8)
Changes in working capital	(113)	(26)
Changes in other assets and liabilities	(7)	4
Net cash from operating activities	580	567
Cash Flows from Investing Activities:		
Additions to property, plant and equipment	(201)	(228)
Proceeds from sale of assets	4	4
Acquisition of business, net of cash acquired	(515)	(2,283)
Other investing activities, net	(1)	(11)
Net cash from investing activities	(713)	(2,518)
Cash Flows from Financing Activities:		
Proceeds from long-term borrowings	545	2,490
Repayments on long-term borrowings	(427)	(390)
Proceeds from issuance of common stock	26	20
Payment of tax receivable agreement	(60)	(57)
Debt financing costs	(4)	(38)
Purchase of non-controlling interest	—	(66)
Net cash from financing activities	80	1,959
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash	5	—
Net change in cash	(48)	8
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	323	228
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$275	\$236

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

Berry Global Group, Inc.
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements
(Unaudited)
(tables in millions of dollars, except per share data)

1. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements of Berry Global Group, Inc. ("the Company," "we," or "Berry") have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States ("GAAP") pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission for interim reporting. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by GAAP for complete financial statements. In preparing financial statements in conformity with GAAP, we must make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues, expenses, and related disclosures at the date of the financial statements and during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. In the opinion of management, all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring adjustments) considered necessary for a fair presentation have been included, and all subsequent events up to the time of the filing have been evaluated. For further information, refer to the consolidated financial statements and footnotes thereto included in the Company's most recent Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Effective April 2017, the Company changed its name from Berry Plastics Group, Inc. to Berry Global Group, Inc. The new name is reflected throughout this Form 10-Q. Common Shares of the Company stock continue to be traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol BERY. In addition Berry Plastics Corporation, a wholly owned subsidiary, changed its name to Berry Global, Inc.

2. Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements

Changes to GAAP are established by the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") in the form of accounting standards updates to the FASB's Accounting Standards Codification. During fiscal 2017, with the exception of the below, there have been no developments to the recently adopted accounting pronouncements from those disclosed in the Company's 2016 Annual Report on Form 10-K that are considered to have a material impact on our unaudited consolidated financial statements.

Goodwill

In January 2017, the FASB issued ASU 2017-04, Intangibles - Goodwill and Other (Topic 350), Simplifying the Test for Goodwill Impairment. To simplify the subsequent measurement of goodwill, Step 2, which was previously used to compute the implied fair value of goodwill, was eliminated. This update requires an entity to perform its annual goodwill impairment test by comparing the fair value of a reporting unit with its carrying amount. An impairment will be recognized in the amount by which a reporting unit's carrying amount exceeds its fair value. The loss recognized will not exceed the total amount of goodwill allocated to that reporting unit. The new guidance is effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2019 and should be applied on a prospective basis. Early adoption is permitted. We will adopt this guidance for our fiscal 2017 goodwill testing.

Retirement Benefits

In March 2017, the FASB issued ASU 2017-07, Compensation – Retirement Benefits (Topic 715), Improving the Presentation of Net Periodic Pension Cost and Net Periodic Postretirement Benefit Cost, which requires employers to report the service cost component in the same line item as other compensation costs arising from services rendered by the pertinent employees during the period. The other components of net benefit cost are required to be presented in the income statement separately from the service cost component and outside a subtotal of income from operations. If a separate line item is used to present the other components of net benefit cost, then the line item used in the income

statement to present the other components of net benefit cost must be disclosed. The new guidance is effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2017 and should be applied on a retrospective basis. Early adoption is permitted. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of this guidance.

3. Acquisitions

AEP Industries Inc.

In January 2017, the Company acquired AEP Industries Inc. ("AEP") for a purchase price of \$791 million, net of cash acquired. A portion of the purchase price consisted of issuing 6.4 million of Berry common shares which were valued at \$324 million at the time of closing. AEP manufactures and markets an extensive and diverse line of polyethylene and polyvinyl chloride flexible plastic packaging products for consumer, industrial, and agricultural applications. The acquired business is operated in our Engineered Materials segment. To finance the purchase, the Company entered into an incremental assumption agreement to increase the commitments under the Company's existing term loan credit agreement by \$500 million due 2024.

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The acquisition has been accounted for under the purchase method of accounting, and accordingly, the purchase price has been allocated to the identifiable assets and liabilities based on preliminary fair values at the acquisition date. The results of AEP have been included in the consolidated results of the Company since the date of the acquisition. The Company has not finalized the allocation of the purchase price to the fair value of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed. The Company has recognized Goodwill on this transaction primarily as a result of expected cost synergies, and does not expect Goodwill to be deductible for tax purposes. The following table summarizes the preliminary allocation of purchase price and the estimated fair values of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed at the date of the acquisition:

Working capital (a)	\$ 133
Property and equipment	222
Intangible assets	214
Goodwill	350
Historical AEP debt assumed	(7)
Other assets and long-term liabilities	(121)

(a) Includes a \$5 million step up of inventory to fair value

Unaudited pro forma net sales were \$1.9 billion for the quarterly period ended July 2, 2016. Unaudited pro forma net sales were \$5.5 billion and \$5.7 billion for the three quarterly periods ended July 1, 2017 and July 2, 2016, respectively. Unaudited pro forma net income was \$102 million for the quarterly period ended July 2, 2016. Unaudited pro forma net income was \$232 million and \$175 million for the three quarterly periods ended July 1, 2017 and July 2, 2016, respectively. The unaudited pro forma net sales and net income assume that the AEP acquisition had occurred as of the beginning of the period.

Adchem Corp.

In June 2017, the Company acquired Adchem Corp.'s ("Adchem") tapes business for a purchase price of \$49 million. Adchem is a leader in the development of high performance adhesive tape systems for the automotive, construction, electronics, graphic arts, medical and general tape markets. The acquired business will be operated within the Engineered Materials segment. To finance the purchase, the Company used existing liquidity. The acquisition has been accounted for under the purchase method of accounting and accordingly, the purchase price has been allocated to the identifiable assets and liabilities based on preliminary values at the acquisition date. The Company expects Goodwill to be deductible for tax purposes.

AVINTIV Inc.

In October 2015, the Company acquired 100% of the capital stock of AVINTIV Inc. ("Avintiv") for a purchase price of \$2.26 billion, net of cash acquired. Avintiv is one of the world's leading developers, producers, and marketers of nonwoven specialty materials used in hygiene, infection prevention, personal care, industrial, construction, and filtration applications. To finance the purchase, the Company issued \$400 million aggregate principal amount of 6.0% second priority senior secured notes due 2022 and entered into an incremental assumption agreement to increase the commitments under the Company's existing term loan credit agreement by \$2.1 billion due 2022. The results of Avintiv have been included in the consolidated results of the Company since the date of acquisition.

4. Restructuring and Impairment Charges

The Company incurred restructuring costs related to severance, asset impairment, and facility exit costs. The tables below set forth the significant components of the restructuring charges recognized, by segment:

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	Quarterly Period Ended		Three Quarterly Periods Ended	
	July 1, 2017	July 2, 2016	July 1, 2017	July 2, 2016
Consumer Packaging	\$ 2	\$ 2	\$6	\$ 7
Health, Hygiene & Specialties	4	4	8	20
Engineered Materials	2	—	4	2
Consolidated	\$ 8	\$ 6	\$18	\$ 29

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The table below sets forth the activity with respect to the restructuring accrual at July 1, 2017:

	Severance and termination benefits	Facilities exit costs and other	Total
Balance at October 1, 2016	\$ 7	\$ 6	\$ 13
Charges	14	4	18
Cash payments	(15)	(6)	(21)
Balance at July 1, 2017	\$ 6	\$ 4	\$ 10

5. Accrued Expenses, Other Current Liabilities and Other Long-Term Liabilities

The following table sets forth the totals included in Accrued expenses and other current liabilities on the Consolidated Balance Sheets:

	July 1, 2017	October 1, 2016
Employee compensation, payroll and other	\$ 128	\$ 152
Interest	33	53
Rebates	54	54
Restructuring	10	13
Accrued taxes	77	40
Tax receivable agreement obligation	101	60
Accrued operating expenses	95	77
	\$ 498	\$ 449

The following table sets forth the totals included in Other long-term liabilities on the Consolidated Balance Sheets:

	July 1, 2017	October 1, 2016
Lease retirement obligation	\$ 36	\$ 34
Sale-lease back deferred gain	24	26
Pension liability	82	88
Deferred purchase price	43	41
Tax receivable agreement obligation	22	114
Interest rate swaps	35	45
Other	69	69
	\$ 311	\$ 417

The Company made \$60 million of payments related to the income tax receivable agreement ("TRA") in the December 31, 2016 quarter, of which Apollo Global Management, LLC received \$48 million. The TRA provides for an annual payment to TRA holders equal to 85% of the amount of cash savings, if any, in U.S. federal, foreign, state and local income tax that are actually realized as a result of the utilization of our net operating losses attributable to periods prior to the initial public offering.

6. Long-Term Debt

Long-term debt consists of the following:

	Maturity Date	July 1, 2017	October 1, 2016
Term loan	February 2020	\$1,148	\$1,351
Term loan	January 2021	814	814
Term loan	October 2022	1,695	1,895
Term loan	January 2024	499	—
Revolving line of credit	May 2020	50	—
5 1/8% Second Priority Senior Secured Notes	July 2023	700	700
5 1/2% Second Priority Senior Secured Notes	May 2022	500	500
6% Second Priority Senior Secured Notes	October 2022	400	400
Debt discounts and deferred fees		(52)	(58)
Capital leases and other	Various	137	153
Total long-term debt		5,891	5,755
Current portion of long-term debt		(34)	(43)
Long-term debt, less current portion		\$5,857	\$5,712

The Company was in compliance with all covenants for all periods presented.

Debt discounts and deferred financing fees are presented net of Long-term debt, less the current portion on the Consolidated Balance Sheets and are amortized to Interest expense through maturity.

Term Loans

In January 2017, the Company entered into an incremental assumption agreement to increase the commitments under the existing term loan credit agreement by \$500 million in order to finance the AEP acquisition. The incremental assumption agreement provided for the \$500 million incremental term loan to bear interest at LIBOR plus 2.50% per annum with no LIBOR floor, to mature in January 2024 and to be subject to customary amortization. During the March ending quarter the Company executed an amendment to lower the interest rates under certain of the term loans. The term loans maturing in October 2022 bear interest at LIBOR plus 2.50% with no LIBOR floor. The term loans maturing in February 2020 and January 2021 bear interest at LIBOR plus 2.25% with no LIBOR floor. During fiscal 2017, the Company has made \$427 million of repayments on long-term borrowings using existing liquidity. As a result of the current year prepayments and modifications, the Company recorded a \$3 million loss on debt extinguishment in Other (income) expense, net, reflecting the write-off of deferred financing fees and debt discounts, net of amortization associated with the portion of the debt that was considered extinguished. Additionally, the Company recognized \$9 million of debt discounts and deferred financing fees related to the incremental assumption agreements and amendments.

7. Financial Instruments and Fair Value Measurements

In the normal course of business, the Company is exposed to certain risks arising from business operations and economic factors. The Company may use derivative financial instruments to help manage market risk and reduce the exposure to fluctuations in interest rates and foreign currencies. These financial instruments are not used for trading or other speculative purposes.

The Company designates derivative instruments that qualify as hedging instruments, based upon the exposure being hedged, as a fair value hedge, cash flow hedge, or a hedge of a net investment in a foreign operation. To the extent hedging relationships are found to be effective, which is evaluated quarterly, changes in the fair value of the derivatives are offset by changes in the fair value of the related hedged item and recorded to Accumulated other comprehensive loss.

The Company records the changes in the fair value of derivatives that are not designated as hedging instruments to the Consolidated Statements of Income.

Foreign Currency Forward Contracts

The primary purpose of the Company's foreign currency hedging activities is to manage the potential changes in value associated with the changes in foreign currencies on future foreign cash movements for certain jurisdictions. The changes in fair value of these derivative contracts are recognized in Other (income) expense, net on the Consolidated Statements of Income and are largely offset by the remeasurement of the underlying intercompany loan. When valuing foreign currency forward contracts the Company utilizes Level 2 (significant observable inputs) fair value measurements. These contracts are typically entered into and settled within the given quarterly reporting period.

Interest Rate Swaps - Cash Flow Hedges

The primary purpose of our interest rate swaps is to manage cash flow variability associated with our outstanding variable rate term loan debt. At inception these contracts are designed as effective cash flow hedges. When valuing interest rate swaps we utilize derivative Level 2 (significant observable inputs) fair value measurements. For interest rate swaps that are designated and qualify as cash flow hedges, the effective portion of the gain or loss is reported as a component of Accumulated other comprehensive loss.

Cash flow hedge accounting is discontinued when it is determined that an interest rate swap no longer qualifies as an effective hedge. When cash flow hedge accounting is de-designated, the swap is subject to the mark-to-market

method of accounting prospectively. Changes in the mark-to-market fair value of the de-designated instrument are recorded to the Consolidated Statements of Income. Unrealized gains and losses that were previously deferred in Accumulated other comprehensive loss are amortized to Interest expense over the remaining term of the swap.

Interest Rate Swap Arrangements

In February 2013, the Company entered into a \$1 billion interest rate swap transaction with an effective date of May 2016 and expiration in May 2019. In June 2013, the Company elected to settle this derivative instrument and received \$16 million as a result of this settlement. The offset is included in Accumulated other comprehensive loss and is being amortized to Interest expense from May 2016 through May 2019, the original term of the swap agreement.

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In March 2014, the Company entered into a \$1 billion interest rate swap transaction with an effective date of February 2016 and expiration in February 2019. In February 2017, in conjunction with the term loan modifications, the Company discontinued hedge accounting. Previously unrealized losses in Accumulated other comprehensive loss were being amortized to Interest expense through February 2019, the original term of the swap. In order to offset the impact of future fair value changes of the March 2014 de-designated swap, the Company entered into a mirrored offsetting swap in February 2017 and has not designated it as a hedge.

In September 2015, the Company entered into a \$1 billion interest rate swap transaction with an effective date of December 2015 and expiration in June 2019. In February 2017, in conjunction with the term loan modifications, the Company entered into an agreement to modify the terms of the original swap on a prospective basis. At that time, the Company de-designated the hedge and has re-designated the modified swap as an effective cash flow hedge. The amount included in Accumulated other comprehensive loss at the date of de-designation is being amortized to Interest expense through June 2019, the original term of the swap. The modified agreement swaps a one-month variable LIBOR contract for a fixed annual rate of 1.5190% with an effective date in March 2017 and expiration in June 2019.

In January 2017, the Company entered into a \$450 million interest rate swap transaction that swaps a one-month variable LIBOR contract for a fixed annual rate of 2.00%, with an effective date in May 2017 and expiration in May 2022.

In February 2017, the Company entered into a \$1 billion interest rate swap transaction that swaps a one-month variable LIBOR contract for a fixed annual rate of 2.3785% with an effective date in February 2017 and expiration in February 2019.

The Company records the fair value positions of all derivative financial instruments on a net basis by counterparty for which a master netting arrangement is utilized. Balances as of the current period are as follows;

			July 1, 2017	October 1, 2016
Derivatives Instruments	Hedge Designation	Balance Sheet Location		
Foreign currency forward contracts	Not designated	Other assets	\$ 3	\$ 3
Interest rate swaps	Not designated	Other assets	17	—
Interest rate swaps	Designated	Other long-term liabilities	18	35
Interest rate swaps	Not designated	Other long-term liabilities	17	—

The effect of the Company's derivative instruments on the Consolidated Statements of Income is as follows:

		Quarterly Period Ended July 1, 2017		Three Quarterly Periods Ended July 1, 2017	
Derivatives instruments	Statements of Income Location	July 1, 2017	July 2, 2016	July 1, 2017	July 2, 2016
Interest rate swaps	Interest expense, net	\$ 5	\$ 6	\$ 15	\$ 10
Foreign currency forward contracts	Other (income) expense, net	\$ 1	\$ 3	\$ —	\$ 9

The amortization related to unrealized losses in Accumulated other comprehensive loss is expected to be \$2 million in the next 12 months.

Non-recurring Fair Value Measurements

The Company has certain assets that are measured at fair value on a non-recurring basis when impairment indicators are present. The assets are adjusted to fair value only when the carrying values exceed the fair values. The categorization of the framework used to price the assets is considered Level 3, due to the subjective nature of the unobservable inputs used to determine the fair value. These assets include primarily our definite lived and indefinite lived intangible assets, including Goodwill and our property, plant, and equipment. The Company reviews Goodwill and other indefinite lived assets for impairment as of the first day of the fourth fiscal quarter each year, and more frequently if impairment indicators exist. The Company determined Goodwill and other indefinite lived assets were not impaired in our annual fiscal 2016 assessment. No impairment indicators were identified in the current quarter.

Included in the following table are the major categories of assets measured at fair value on a non-recurring basis as of July 1, 2017 and October 1, 2016, along with the impairment loss recognized on the fair value measurement during the period:

	As of July 1, 2017			Total	Impairment
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3		
Indefinite-lived trademarks	\$—	\$—	\$248	\$248	\$—
Goodwill	—	—	2,782	2,782	—
Definite lived intangible assets	—	—	1,066	1,066	—
Property, plant, and equipment	—	—	2,375	2,375	—
Total	\$—	\$—	\$6,471	\$6,471	\$—

	As of October 1, 2016				
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total	Impairment
Indefinite-lived trademarks	\$—	\$—	\$248	\$248	\$ —
Goodwill	—	—	2,406	2,406	—
Definite lived intangible assets	—	—	952	952	—
Property, plant, and equipment	—	—	2,224	2,224	3
Total	\$—	\$—	\$5,830	\$5,830	\$ 3

The Company's financial instruments consist primarily of cash and cash equivalents and long-term debt. The fair value of our marketable long-term indebtedness exceeded book value by \$76 million as of July 1, 2017. The Company's long-term debt fair values were determined using Level 2 inputs as other significant observable inputs were not available.

8. Income Taxes

The Company's effective tax rate was 26% for the quarterly period and three quarterly periods ended July 1, 2017. Within the quarter, the effective tax rate was favorably impacted by 9% from the discrete item related to share based compensation excess tax benefit. Our year-to-date effective tax rate of 26% was favorably impacted by 9% from the discrete item related to share based compensation excess tax benefit and a 3% state valuation allowance release, partially offset by a negative impact of 2% due to state taxes and a 2% foreign valuation allowance.

9. Operating Segments

The Company's operations are organized into three operating segments: Consumer Packaging, Health, Hygiene & Specialties, and Engineered Materials. The structure is designed to align us with our customers, provide improved service, and drive future growth in a cost efficient manner. In October 2016, the Company realigned portions of our operating segments in order to leverage geographic management teams and commercial activities. The international portion of our Retail & Industrial product line was moved from Engineered Materials to the Specialties product line within Health, Hygiene & Specialties, resulting in a \$39 million and \$108 million movement in Net sales in the quarterly and three quarterly periods ended July 2, 2016, respectively. Additionally, to align the newly acquired AEP business with our existing Core Films business, \$73 million and \$230 million of Net sales were moved from Consumer Packaging to Engineered Materials in the quarterly and three quarterly periods ended July 2, 2016, respectively. As result of these organizational realignments, we have recast prior period segment amounts. Selected information by reportable segment is presented in the following tables:

	Quarterly Period Ended		Three Quarterly Periods Ended	
	July 1, 2017	July 2, 2016	July 1, 2017	July 2, 2016
Net sales:				
Consumer Packaging	\$614	\$631	\$1,752	\$1,845
Health, Hygiene & Specialties	606	606	1,773	1,807
Engineered Materials	686	408	1,689	1,219
Total net sales	\$1,906	\$1,645	\$5,214	\$4,871
Operating income:				
Consumer Packaging	\$60	\$58	\$150	\$156
Health, Hygiene & Specialties	53	69	164	140
Engineered Materials	99	52	219	134
Total operating income	\$212	\$179	\$533	\$430
Depreciation and amortization:				
Consumer Packaging	\$56	\$61	\$174	\$183

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Health, Hygiene & Specialties	46	38	136	143
Engineered Materials	30	21	73	64
Total depreciation and amortization	\$132	\$120	\$383	\$390

	July 1, 2017	October 1, 2016
Total assets:		
Consumer Packaging	\$3,268	\$3,315
Health, Hygiene & Specialties	3,441	3,504
Engineered Materials	1,836	834
Total assets	\$8,545	\$7,653

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Selected information by geography is presented in the following tables:

	Quarterly Period Ended		Three Quarterly Periods Ended	
	July 1, 2017	July 2, 2016	July 1, 2017	July 2, 2016
Net sales:				
North America	\$1,591	\$1,329	\$4,289	\$3,939
South America	85	88	246	247
Europe	165	166	482	505
Asia	65	62	197	180
Total net sales	\$1,906	\$1,645	\$5,214	\$4,871

	July 1, 2017	October 1, 2016
Long-lived assets:		
North America	\$5,420	\$4,724
South America	360	386
Europe	459	462
Asia	284	289
Total Long-lived assets	\$6,523	\$5,861

Selected information by product line is presented in the following tables:

	Quarterly Period Ended		Three Quarterly Periods Ended	
(in percentages)	July 1, 2017	July 2, 2016	July 1, 2017	July 2, 2016
Net sales:				
Rigid Open Top	44%	43%	42%	42%
Rigid Closed Top	56	57	58	58
Consumer Packaging	100%	100%	100%	100%
Health	22%	21%	22%	20%
Hygiene	44	45	44	45
Specialties	34	34	34	35
Health, Hygiene & Specialties	100%	100%	100%	100%
Core Films	43%	72%	51%	71%
Retail & Industrial	57	28	49	29
Engineered Materials	100%	100%	100%	100%

Goodwill

In connection with the change in reporting segments, the Company reallocated goodwill to the segments under the provisions of ASC 350. The changes in the carrying amount of goodwill by reportable segment are as follows:

Consumer Packaging	Health, Hygiene	Engineered Materials	Total
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			& Specialties	
Balance as of October 1, 2016	\$ 1,520	\$ 801	\$ 85	\$2,406
Segment reorganization	(110)	7	103	—
Acquisition, net	—	—	376	376
Foreign currency translation adjustment	—	—	—	—
Balance as of July 1, 2017	\$ 1,410	\$ 808	\$ 564	\$2,782

10. Contingencies and Commitments

The Company is party to various legal proceedings involving routine claims which are incidental to its business. Although the Company's legal and financial liability with respect to such proceedings cannot be estimated with certainty, management believes that any ultimate liability would not be material to its financial statements.

The Company has various purchase commitments for raw materials, supplies, and property and equipment incidental to the ordinary conduct of business.

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11. Basic and Diluted Net Income per Share

Basic net income per share is calculated by dividing the net income attributable to common stockholders by the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding during the period, without consideration for common stock equivalents. Diluted net income per share is computed by dividing the net income attributable to common stockholders by the weighted-average number of common share equivalents outstanding for the period determined using the treasury-stock method and the if-converted method. For purposes of this calculation, stock options are considered to be common stock equivalents and are only included in the calculation of diluted net income per share when their effect is dilutive. There were no shares excluded from the calculations as the effect of their conversion into shares of our common stock would be antidilutive.

The following tables and discussion provide a reconciliation of the numerator and denominator of the basic and diluted net income per share computations.

(in millions, except per share amounts)	Quarterly Period Ended		Three Quarterly Periods Ended	
	July 1, 2017	July 2, 2016	July 1, 2017	July 2, 2016
Numerator				
Net income	\$107	\$96	\$230	\$159
Denominator				
Weighted average common shares outstanding - basic	129.9	121.1	126.6	120.5
Dilutive shares	5.3	4.8	4.8	3.4
Weighted average common and common equivalent shares outstanding - diluted	135.2	125.9	131.4	123.9
Per common share income				
Basic	\$0.82	\$0.79	\$1.82	\$1.32
Diluted	\$0.79	\$0.76	\$1.75	\$1.28

12. Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)

The components and activity of Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) are as follows:

	Currency Translation	Defined Benefit Pension and Retiree Health Plans	Interest Rate Swaps Designated as Hedges	Interest Rate Swaps Not Designated as Hedges	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)
Balance at October 1, 2016	\$ (82)	\$ (44)	\$ (31)	\$ 9	\$ (148)
De-designated hedges	—	—	17	(17)	—
Other comprehensive income (loss) before reclassifications	4	13	5	—	22
Net amount reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	—	—	17	1	18
Provision for income taxes related to other comprehensive income items	—	—	(8)	—	(8)
Balance at July 1, 2017	\$ (78)	\$ (31)	\$ —	\$ (7)	\$ (116)

	Currency Translation	Defined Benefit Pension and Retiree Health Plans	Interest Rate Swaps Designated as Hedges	Interest Rate Swaps Not Designated as Hedges	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)
Balance at September 26, 2015	\$ (81)	\$ (25)	\$ (23)	\$ 10	\$ (119)
Other comprehensive income (loss) before reclassifications	39	—	(30)	—	9
Net amount reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	—	—	10	—	10
Provision for income taxes related to other comprehensive income items	—	—	8	—	8
Balance at July 2, 2016	\$ (42)	\$ (25)	\$ (35)	\$ 10	\$ (92)

13. Guarantor and Non-Guarantor Financial Information

Berry Global, Inc. ("Issuer") has notes outstanding which are fully, jointly, severally, and unconditionally guaranteed by its parent, Berry Global Group, Inc. (for purposes of this Note, "Parent") and substantially all of Issuer's domestic subsidiaries. Separate narrative information or financial statements of the guarantor subsidiaries have not been included because they are 100% owned by Parent and the guarantor subsidiaries unconditionally guarantee such debt on a joint and several basis. A guarantee of a guarantor subsidiary of the securities will terminate upon the following customary circumstances: the sale of the capital stock of such guarantor if such sale complies with the indentures, the designation of such guarantor as an unrestricted subsidiary, the defeasance or discharge of the indenture, as a result of the holders of certain other indebtedness foreclosing on a pledge of the shares of a guarantor subsidiary or if such guarantor no longer guarantees certain other indebtedness of the issuer. The guarantees of the guarantor subsidiaries are also limited as necessary to prevent them from constituting a fraudulent conveyance under applicable law and any guarantees guaranteeing subordinated debt are subordinated to certain other of the Company's debts. Parent also guarantees the Issuer's term loans and revolving credit facilities. The guarantor subsidiaries guarantee our term loans and are co-borrowers under our revolving credit facility. Presented below is condensed consolidating financial information for the Parent, Issuer, guarantor subsidiaries and non-guarantor subsidiaries. The Issuer and guarantor financial information includes all of our domestic operating subsidiaries; our non-guarantor subsidiaries include our foreign subsidiaries, certain immaterial domestic subsidiaries and the unrestricted subsidiaries under the Issuer's indentures. The Parent uses the equity method to account for its ownership in the Issuer in the Condensed Consolidating Supplemental Financial Statements. The Issuer uses the equity method to account for its ownership in the guarantor and non-guarantor subsidiaries. All consolidating entries are included in the eliminations column along with the elimination of intercompany balances.

Condensed Supplemental Consolidated Balance Sheet

July 1, 2017						
	Parent	Issuer	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Non- Guarantor Subsidiaries	Eliminations	Total
Current assets	\$—	\$80	\$ 1,188	\$ 754	\$ —	\$2,022
Intercompany receivable	518	2,512	—	—	(3,030)	—
Property, plant, and equipment, net	—	74	1,591	710	—	2,375
Other assets	868	5,217	4,578	523	(7,038)	4,148
Total assets	\$1,386	\$7,883	\$ 7,357	\$ 1,987	\$ (10,068)	\$8,545
Current liabilities	\$101	\$167	\$ 563	\$ 282	\$ —	\$1,113
Intercompany payable	—	66	2,819	145	(3,030)	—
Other long-term liabilities	437	5,976	105	66	—	6,584
Stockholders' equity (deficit)	848	1,674	3,870	1,494	(7,038)	848
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$1,386	\$7,883	\$ 7,357	\$ 1,987	\$ (10,068)	\$8,545
October 1, 2016						
	Parent	Issuer	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Non- Guarantor Subsidiaries	Eliminations	Total
Current assets	\$—	\$161	\$ 945	\$ 686	\$ —	\$1,792
Intercompany receivable	364	2,797	—	—	(3,161)	—
Property, plant and equipment, net	—	76	1,434	714	—	2,224
Other assets	302	4,101	4,094	557	(5,417)	3,637
Total assets	\$666	\$7,135	\$ 6,473	\$ 1,957	\$ (8,578)	\$7,653

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Current liabilities	\$60	\$207	\$ 480	\$ 284	\$ —	\$1,031
Intercompany payable	—	—	2,992	169	(3,161	) —
Other long-term liabilities	385	5,822	126	68	—	6,401
Stockholders' equity (deficit)	221	1,106	2,875	1,436	(5,417	) 221
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$666	\$7,135	\$ 6,473	\$ 1,957	\$ (8,578	) \$7,653

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Condensed Supplemental Consolidated Statements of Income

Quarterly Period Ended July 1, 2017

	Parent	Issuer	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Non- Guarantor Subsidiaries	Eliminations	Total
Net sales	\$—	\$152	\$ 1,325	\$ 429	\$ —	\$1,906
Cost of goods sold	—	100	1,059	359	—	1,518
Selling, general and administrative	—	14	89	25	—	128
Amortization of intangibles	—	2	31	7	—	40
Restructuring and impairment charges	—	—	—	8	—	8
Operating income	—	36	146	30	—	212
Other expense (income), net	—	1	(1)	(1)	—	(1)
Interest expense, net	—	5	47	16	—	68
Equity in net income of subsidiaries	(145)	(109)	—	—	254	—
Income before income taxes	145	139	100	15	(254)	145
Income tax expense	38	32	—	6	(38)	38
Net income	\$107	\$107	\$ 100	\$ 9	\$ (216)	\$107
Comprehensive net income	\$107	\$102	\$ 100	\$ 37	\$ (216)	\$130

Quarterly Period Ended July 2, 2016

	Parent	Issuer	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Non- Guarantor Subsidiaries	Eliminations	Total
Net sales	\$—	\$150	\$ 1,081	\$ 414	\$ —	\$1,645
Cost of goods sold	—	140	834	322	—	1,296
Selling, general and administrative	—	6	93	30	—	129
Amortization of intangibles	—	2	27	6	—	35
Restructuring and impairment charges	—	—	1	5	—	6
Operating income	—	2	126	51	—	179
Other expense (income), net	—	8	(4)	(18)	—	(14)
Interest expense, net	—	9	63	1	—	73
Equity in net income of subsidiaries	(120)	(119)	—	—	239	—
Income before income taxes	120	104	67	68	(239)	120
Income tax expense	24	4	1	14	(19)	24
Net income	\$96	\$100	\$ 66	\$ 54	\$ (220)	\$96
Comprehensive net income	\$96	\$98	\$ 65	\$ 38	\$ (220)	\$77

Three Quarterly Periods Ended July 1, 2017

	Parent	Issuer	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Non- Guarantor Subsidiaries	Eliminations	Total
Net sales	\$—	\$441	\$ 3,556	\$ 1,217	\$ —	\$5,214
Cost of goods sold	—	333	2,860	984	—	4,177
Selling, general and administrative	—	45	251	77	—	373
Amortization of intangibles	—	5	87	21	—	113
Restructuring and impairment charges	—	—	10	8	—	18
Operating income	—	58	348	127	—	533
Other expense (income), net	—	15	1	2	—	18
Interest expense, net	—	17	138	48	—	203

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Equity in net income of subsidiaries	(312)	(252)	—	—	564	—
Income before income taxes	312	278	209	77	(564)	) 312
Income tax expense	82	48	—	34	(82)	) 82
Net income	\$230	\$230	\$ 209	\$ 43	\$ (482)	) \$230
Comprehensive net income	\$230	\$245	\$ 209	\$ 60	\$ (482)	) \$262

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Consolidating Statement of Cash Flows

Cash Flow from Operating Activities	\$—	\$31	\$420	\$129	\$—	\$580
Cash Flow from Investing Activities						
Additions to property, plant, and equipment	—	(11)	(160)	(30)	—	(201)
Proceeds from sale of assets	—	1	3	—	—	4
Contributions (to)/from subsidiaries	(26)	(489)	—	—	515	—
Intercompany	—	280	—	—	(280)	—
Acquisition of business, net of cash acquired	—	—	(515)	—	—	(515)
Other investing activities, net	—	(1)	—	—	—	(1)
Net cash from investing activities	(26)	(220)	(672)	(30)	235	(713)
Cash Flow from Financing Activities						
Proceeds from long-term debt	—	545	—	—	—	545
Proceeds from issuance of common stock	26	—	—	—	—	26
Payment of tax receivable agreement	(60)	—	—	—	—	(60)
Repayments on long-term borrowings	—	(423)	(3)	(1)	—	(427)
Contribution from Parent	—	—	515	—	(515)	—
Debt financing costs	—	(4)	—	—	—	(4)
Changes in intercompany balances	60	—	(255)	(85)	280	—
Net cash from financing activities	26	118	257	(86)	(235)	80
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash	—	—	—	5	—	5
Net change in cash	—	(71)	5	18	—	(48)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	—	102	5	216	—	323
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$—	\$31	\$10	\$234	\$—	\$275

Three Quarterly Periods Ended July 2, 2016

			Non-			
	Parent	Issuer	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Eliminations	Total
Net sales	\$—	\$442	\$ 3,143	\$ 1,286	\$ —	\$4,871
Cost of goods sold	—	373	2,490	1,022	—	3,885
Selling, general and administrative	—	89	251	81	—	421
Amortization of intangibles	—	6	77	23	—	106
Restructuring and impairment charges	—	—	23	6	—	29
Operating income	—	(26)	302	154	—	430
Other expense (income), net	—	19	(11)	(25)	—	(17)
Interest expense, net	—	27	158	37	—	222
Equity in net income of subsidiaries	(225)	(258)	—	—	483	—
Income before income taxes	225	186	155	142	(483)	225
Income tax expense	66	23	2	36	(61)	66
Net income	\$159	\$163	\$ 153	\$ 106	\$ (422)	\$159
Comprehensive net income	\$159	\$152	\$ 152	\$ 145	\$ (422)	\$186

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Cash Flow from
Operating

Activities	\$—	\$23	\$382	\$162	\$—	\$567
Cash Flow from Investing Activities						
Additions to property, plant, and equipment	—	(13)	(181)	(34)	—	(228)
Proceeds from sale of assets	—	—	4	—	—	4
Contributions (to)/from subsidiaries	(20)	(2,240)	—	—	2,260	—
Intercompany Acquisition of business, net of cash acquired	—	11	—	—	(11)	—
Other investing activities, net	—	(11)	—	—	—	(11)
Net cash from investing activities	(20)	(2,253)	(468)	(2,026)	2,249	(2,518)

Cash Flow from
Financing
Activities

Proceeds from long-term debt	—	2,490	—	—	—	2,490
Repayments on long-term borrowings	—	(356)	—	(34)	—	(390)
Proceeds from issuance of common stock	20	—	—	—	—	20
Payment of tax receivable agreement	(57)	—	—	—	—	(57)
Contribution from parent	—	—	291	1,969	(2,260)	—
Debt financing costs	—	(38)	—	—	—	(38)
Purchase of non-controlling interest	—	—	(66)	—	—	(66)
Changes in intercompany	57	—	(110)	42	11	—

balances						
Net cash from financing activities	20	2,096	115	1,977	(2,249)	1,959
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash	—	—	—	—	—	—
Net change in cash	—	(134)	29	113	—	8
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	—	163	—	65	—	228
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$—	\$29	\$29	\$178	\$—	\$236

Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

This discussion contains forward-looking statements and involves numerous risks and uncertainties, including, but not limited to, those described in our most recent Form 10-K in the section titled "Risk Factors" and other risk factors identified from time to time in our periodic filings with the SEC. As a result, our actual results may differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements referenced within this report should be read with the explanation of the qualifications and limitations included herein.

The Company's fiscal year is based on fifty-two or fifty-three week periods. Fiscal 2017 is a fifty-two week period and fiscal 2016 was a fifty-three week period.

Executive Summary

Business. The Company's operations are organized into three operating segments: Engineered Materials, Health, Hygiene & Specialties, and Consumer Packaging. The structure is designed to align us with our customers, provide improved service, and drive future growth in a cost efficient manner. The Engineered Materials segment primarily consists of tapes and adhesives, polyethylene based film products, can liners, printed films, and specialty coated, and laminated products. The Health, Hygiene & Specialties segment primarily consists of nonwoven specialty materials and films used in hygiene, infection prevention, personal care, industrial, construction and filtration applications. The Consumer Packaging segment primarily consists of containers, foodservice items, closures, overcaps, bottles, prescription containers, and tubes.

In October 2016, the Company realigned portions of our operating segments in order to leverage geographic management teams and commercial activities. The international portion of our Retail & Industrial product line was moved from Engineered Materials to the Specialties product line within Health, Hygiene & Specialties, resulting in a \$39 million and \$108 million movement in Net sales in the quarterly and three quarterly periods ended July 2, 2016, respectively. Additionally, to align the newly acquired AEP business with our existing Core Films business, \$73 million and \$230 million of Net sales were moved from Consumer Packaging to Engineered Materials in the quarterly and three quarterly periods ended July 2, 2016, respectively. As result of these organizational realignments, we have recast prior period segment amounts.

Acquisitions. Our acquisition strategy is focused on improving our long-term financial performance, enhancing our market positions, and expanding our existing and complementary product offerings. We seek to acquire businesses for attractive post-synergy multiples, creating value for our stockholders from synergy realization, leveraging the acquired products across our customer base, creating new platforms for future growth, and assuming best practices from the businesses we acquire. The Company has included the expected benefits of acquisition integrations and restructuring plans within our unrealized synergies, which are in turn recognized in earnings after an acquisition has been fully integrated or the restructuring plan is completed. While the expected benefits on earnings is estimated at the commencement of each transaction, once the execution of the plan and integration occur, we are generally unable to accurately estimate or track what the ultimate effects have been due to system integrations and movements of activities to multiple facilities. As historical business combinations and restructuring plans have not allowed us to accurately separate realized synergies compared to what was initially identified, we measure the synergy realization based on the overall segment profitability post integration.

Avintiv Inc.

In October 2015, the Company acquired 100% of the capital stock of AVINTIV Inc. ("Avintiv") for a purchase price of \$2.26 billion, net of cash acquired. Avintiv is one of the world's leading developers, producers, and marketers of nonwoven specialty materials used in hygiene, infection prevention, personal care, industrial, construction, and filtration applications. To finance the purchase, the Company issued \$400 million aggregate principal amount of 6.0% second priority senior secured notes due 2022 and entered into an incremental assumption agreement to increase the

commitments under the Company's existing term loan credit agreement by \$2.1 billion due 2022. The Company expects to realize annual cost synergies of approximately \$80 million related to the Avintiv acquisition with full realization expected in fiscal 2017.

AEP Industries Inc.

In January 2017, the Company acquired AEP Industries Inc. ("AEP") for a purchase price of \$791 million, net of cash acquired. A portion of the purchase price consisted of issuing 6.4 million of Berry common shares which were valued at \$324 million at the time of closing. AEP manufactures and markets an extensive and diverse line of polyethylene and polyvinyl chloride flexible plastic packaging products for consumer, industrial, and agricultural applications. The acquired business is operated in Berry's Engineered Materials segment. To finance the purchase, the Company entered into an incremental assumption agreement to increase the commitments under the Company's existing term loan credit agreement by \$500 million due 2024. The Company expects to realize annual cost synergies of approximately \$80 million from the AEP transaction with full realization expected in fiscal 2018.

Adchem Corp.

In June, 2017, the Company acquired Adchem Corp.'s ("Adchem") tapes business for a purchase price of \$49 million. Adchem is a leader in the development of high performance adhesive tape systems for the automotive, construction, electronics, graphic arts, medical and general tape markets. The acquired business will be operated within the Engineered Materials segment. To finance the purchase, the Company used existing liquidity.

Raw Material Trends. Our primary raw material is plastic resin consisting primarily of polypropylene and polyethylene. Plastic resins are subject to price fluctuations, including those arising from supply shortages and changes in the prices of natural gas, crude oil and other petrochemical intermediates from which resins are produced. The three month simple average price per pound, as published by U.S. market indexes, were as follows:

	Polyethylene			Polypropylene		
	Butene Film					
	2017	2016	2015	2017	2016	2015
1st quarter	\$.75	\$.69	\$.86	\$.69	\$.70	\$.92
2nd quarter	.77	.66	.75	.80	.75	.73
3rd quarter	.79	.73	.76	.74	.71	.68
4th quarter	—	.75	.73	—	.71	.66

Due to differences in the timing of passing through resin cost changes to our customers on escalator/de-escalator programs, segments are negatively impacted in the short term when plastic resin costs increase and are positively impacted when plastic resin costs decrease. This timing lag in passing through raw material cost changes could affect our results as plastic resin costs fluctuate.

Outlook. The Company is impacted by general economic and industrial growth, plastic resin availability and affordability, and general industrial production. Our business has both geographic and end-market diversity, which reduces the effect of any one of these factors on our overall performance. Our results are affected by our ability to pass through raw material cost changes to our customers, improve manufacturing productivity and adapt to volume changes of our customers. We continue to believe the fiscal 2017 volume environment in the markets we serve will remain consistent with prior year and will be impacted by one less week of operations in fiscal 2017 compared to fiscal 2016. In the near term, inflation and market pressure in South America could temporarily create a headwind for the Company, which we believe will ultimately be offset within the fiscal year by maximizing the synergies from the AEP acquisition. For fiscal 2017, we project cash flow from operations and Adjusted Free Cash Flow of \$925 million and \$550 million, respectively. These estimates assume \$80 million of tax payments, \$60 million of business integration costs, and no impact to working capital. The \$550 million of Adjusted Free Cash Flow includes \$265 million of additions to property, plant and equipment and \$110 million of payments under our tax receivable agreement ("TRA"). The \$110 million of TRA payments includes \$60 million that was paid in our first fiscal quarter and assume we make an additional \$50 million in our fourth fiscal quarter. For the definition of Adjusted Free Cash Flow and further information related to Adjusted Free Cash Flow as a non-GAAP financial measure, see "Liquidity and Capital Resources."

Results of Operations

Comparison of the Quarterly Period Ended July 1, 2017 (the "Quarter") and the Quarterly Period Ended July 2, 2016 (the "Prior Quarter")

Consistent with historical presentation, acquisition (businesses acquired in the last twelve months) net sales and operating income disclosed within this section represent the historical results from acquisitions for the comparable prior year period. The remaining change disclosed represents the changes from the prior period on a combined basis. Business integration expenses consist of restructuring and impairment charges, acquisition related charges, and other business optimization costs.

Consolidated Overview

	Prior		\$		%	
	Quarter	Quarter	Change	Change		
Net sales	\$1,906	\$1,645	\$ 261	16	%	
Operating income	\$212	\$179	\$ 33	18	%	
Operating income percentage of net sales	11	% 11	%			

Net sales increased by \$261 million from the Prior Quarter primarily attributed to acquisition net sales of \$296 million and selling price increases of \$49 million due to the pass through of higher resin prices, partially offset by a negative \$76 million impact from lower base volumes and an \$8 million negative impact from foreign currency changes. The base volume decline is primarily related to general market softness along with inventory reductions by our Engineered Materials customers in anticipation of lower future raw material costs, as well as our decisions between volume and price in order to maximize earnings.

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The operating income increase of \$33 million from the Prior Quarter was primarily attributed to acquisition operating income of \$22 million, a \$14 million decrease in selling, general and administrative expense, an \$11 million improvement in our product mix and price/cost spread, and a decrease in business integration expenses. These improvements were partially offset by a \$5 million increase in depreciation and amortization, and a negative \$12 million impact from lower base volumes.

Consumer Packaging

	Quarter	Prior Quarter	\$ Change	% Change	
Net sales	\$ 614	\$ 631	\$ (17)	(3)	%
Operating income	\$ 60	\$ 58	\$ 2	3	%
Percentage of net sales	10 %	9 %			

Net sales in the Consumer Packaging segment decreased by \$17 million from Prior Quarter primarily attributed to a negative \$25 million impact from lower base volumes, primarily attributed to general market softness. The decrease is partially offset by an \$8 million selling price increase due to the pass through of higher resin prices.

The operating income increase of \$2 million from Prior Quarter was primarily attributed to a \$5 million decrease in selling, general and administrative expense and a \$5 million decrease in depreciation and amortization. These improvements were partially offset by a negative \$5 million impact from lower base volumes, and a slight impact from negative productivity in manufacturing.

Health, Hygiene & Specialties

	Quarter	Prior Quarter	\$ Change	% Change	
Net sales	\$ 606	\$ 606	\$ —	0	%
Operating income	\$ 53	\$ 69	\$ (16)	(23)	%
Percentage of net sales	9 %	11 %			

Net sales in the Health, Hygiene & Specialties segment were flat from Prior Quarter primarily attributed to selling price increases of \$8 million due to the pass through of higher resin prices, partially offset by a \$7 million unfavorable impact from currency translation.

The operating income decrease of \$16 million from Prior Quarter was primarily attributed to a \$15 million decrease in price/cost spread and an \$8 million increase in depreciation and amortization expense as a result of Avintiv purchase accounting adjustments recorded in the Prior Quarter, partially offset by a \$4 million decrease in selling, general, and administrative expense, and a slight improvement in productivity in manufacturing.

Engineered Materials

	Quarter	Prior Quarter	\$ Change	% Change	
Net sales	\$ 686	\$ 408	\$ 278	68	%
Operating income	\$ 99	\$ 52	\$ 47	90	%
Percentage of net sales	14 %	13 %			

Net sales in the Engineered Materials segment increased by \$278 million from Prior Quarter primarily attributed to acquisition net sales of \$296 million and selling price increases of \$32 million due to the pass through of higher resin prices, partially offset by a negative \$49 million impact from lower base volumes. We believe the volume decline is partially attributed to inventory reductions by our customers in anticipation of lower future resin costs, as well as our decisions between volume and price in order to maximize earnings.

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The operating income increase of \$47 million from Prior Quarter was primarily attributed to acquisition operating income of \$22 million, a \$25 million improvement in our product mix and price/cost spread, and a \$5 million reduction in selling, general and administrative expenses, partially offset by a negative \$7 million impact from lower base volumes.

Other (income) expense, net

	Prior	\$	%
	Quarter	Quarter	Change
Other (income) expense, net	\$ (1)	\$ (14)	\$ 13 93 %

Other (income) expense primarily consists of transactional foreign currency changes related to the remeasurement of non-operating intercompany balances.

Interest expense, net

	Prior	\$	%
	Quarter	Quarter	Change
Interest expense, net	\$ 68	\$ 73	\$ (5) (7 %)

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The interest expense decrease of \$5 million from Prior Quarter was primarily attributed to reduced interest rates resulting from the term loan modifications.

Income tax expense

		Prior	\$	%
	Quarter	Quarter	Change	Change
Income tax expense	\$ 38	\$ 24	\$ 14	58 %

The income tax expense increase of \$14 million from the Prior Quarter was primarily attributed to an increase in Income before taxes and an increase in foreign valuation allowance for the Quarter. Within the Quarter, the 26% effective tax rate was lower than our statutory rate primarily due to a favorable impact of 9% from the discrete item related to share based compensation excess tax benefit.

Changes in Comprehensive Income

The \$53 million improvement in comprehensive income from Prior Quarter is primarily attributed to a \$40 million change in currency translation, an \$11 million improvement in net income, and a \$2 million change in interest rate hedges, net of tax. Currency translation gains and losses are primarily related to non-U.S. subsidiaries with a functional currency other than U.S. dollars whereby assets and liabilities are translated from the respective functional currency into U.S. dollars using period-end exchange rates. The change in currency translation in the Quarter was primarily attributed to locations utilizing the euro, British pound sterling, and Brazilian real as the functional currency. As part of the overall risk management, the Company uses derivative instruments to reduce exposure to changes in interest rates attributed to the Company's floating-rate borrowings and records changes to the fair value of these instruments in Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss). The favorable change in fair value of these instruments in the Quarter versus Prior Quarter is primarily attributed to an increase in the forward interest curve between measurement dates.

Comparison of the Three Quarterly Periods Ended July 1, 2017 (the "YTD") and the Three Quarterly Periods Ended July 2, 2016 (the "Prior YTD")

As a reminder, fiscal 2016 was a fifty-three week period compared to a fifty-two week period in fiscal 2017. The negative impact from the extra days in the Prior YTD period disclosed within this section has been presented on a net basis. Consistent with historical presentation, acquisition (businesses acquired in the last twelve months) net sales and operating income disclosed within this section represent the historical results from acquisitions for the comparable prior year period. The remaining change disclosed represents the changes from the prior period on a combined basis. Business integration expenses consist of restructuring and impairment charges, acquisition related charges, and other business optimization costs.

Consolidated Overview

		Prior	\$	%
	YTD	YTD	Change	Change
Net sales	\$5,214	\$4,871	\$ 343	7 %
Operating income	\$533	\$430	\$ 103	24 %
Operating income percentage of net sales	10 %	9 %		

The net sales increase of \$343 million from the Prior YTD was primarily attributed to acquisition net sales of \$500 million and selling price increases of \$52 million due to the pass through of higher resin prices, partially offset by a \$98 million negative impact from extra days in the Prior YTD, a \$92 million negative impact from lower base volumes, and a negative \$20 million impact from foreign currency changes. The base volume decline is primarily related to general market softness along with inventory reductions by our Engineered Materials customers in anticipation of lower raw material costs, as well as our decisions between volume and price in order to maximize

earnings.

The operating income increase of \$103 million from the Prior YTD was primarily attributed to acquisition operating income of \$42 million, a \$33 million decrease in selling, general and administrative expense related to synergies and cost reductions, a \$33 million decrease in business integration and restructuring expenses, a \$13 million decrease in depreciation and amortization, and a slight improvement in our product mix and price/cost spread. These improvements were partially offset by a negative \$12 million impact from lower base volumes and a negative \$10 million impact from extra days in the Prior YTD.

Consumer Packaging

	YTD	Prior YTD	\$ Change	% Change
Net sales	\$1,752	\$1,845	\$ (93)	(5 %)
Operating income	\$150	\$156	\$ (6)	(4 %)
Operating income percentage of net sales	9 %	8 %		

Net sales in the Consumer Packaging segment decreased by \$93 million from Prior YTD primarily attributed to a \$64 million negative impact from lower base volumes and a negative \$43 million impact from extra days in the Prior YTD, partially offset by selling price increases of \$14 million due to the pass through of higher resin prices. The volume decline was primarily attributed to general market softness.

The operating income decrease of \$6 million from Prior YTD was primarily attributed to a negative \$14 million impact from lower base volumes, a negative \$9 million impact from productivity in manufacturing, a negative \$5 million impact from extra days in the Prior YTD, and a slight decrease in our product mix and price/cost spread, partially offset by a \$13 million decrease in selling, general and administrative expense related to synergies from cost reductions, a \$6 million decrease in depreciation and amortization, and a \$5 million decrease in business integration and restructuring expenses.

Health, Hygiene & Specialties

	YTD	Prior YTD	\$ Change	% Change
Net sales	\$1,773	\$1,807	\$ (34)	(2 %)
Operating income	\$164	\$140	\$ 24	17 %
Operating income percentage of net sales	9 %	8 %		

Net sales in the Health, Hygiene & Specialties segment decreased by \$34 million from Prior YTD primarily attributed to selling price decreases of \$20 million, a negative \$26 million impact from extra days in the Prior YTD, and an \$18 million unfavorable impact from currency translation, partially offset by a \$30 million impact from base volume improvements.

The operating income increase of \$24 million from Prior YTD was primarily attributed to a \$29 million decrease in business integration and restructuring expenses, an \$11 million improvement in productivity in manufacturing, a \$9 million decrease in selling, general and administrative expense related to synergies and cost reductions, a \$5 million improvement from base volume growth, and a \$4 million decrease in depreciation and amortization. These improvements were partially offset by a \$33 million decrease in our product mix and price/cost spread primarily attributed to inflation and consumer demand pressures within our South American business.

Engineered Materials

	YTD	Prior YTD	\$ Change	% Change
Net sales	\$1,689	\$1,219	\$ 470	39 %
Operating income	\$219	\$134	\$ 85	63 %
Operating income percentage of net sales	13 %	11 %		

Net sales in the Engineered Materials segment increased by \$470 million from Prior YTD primarily attributed to acquisition net sales of \$500 million, and selling price increases of \$57 million due to the pass through of higher resin prices, partially offset by a negative \$57 million impact from base volume declines, and a \$29 million unfavorable impact from extra days in the Prior YTD. We believe the volume decline is partially attributed to inventory reductions by our customers in anticipation of lower future resin costs, as well as our decisions between volume and price in order to maximize earnings.

The operating income increase of \$85 million in the Engineered Materials segment from the Prior YTD was primarily attributed to acquisition operating income of \$42 million, a \$37 million improvement in our product mix and price/cost spread, an \$11 million decrease in selling, general and administrative expense, and a \$4 million decrease in depreciation and amortization. These improvements were partially offset by a \$4 million negative impact from extra days in the Prior YTD and a negative \$3 million impact from lower base volumes.

Other (income) expense, net

YTD

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		Prior	\$	%
		YTD	Change	Change
Other (income) expense, net	\$ 18	\$(17)	\$ 35	206 %

Other (income) expense was unfavorable by \$35 million from Prior YTD primarily attributed to a \$10 million non-cash defined benefit pension plan settlement and a \$9 million charge related to a valuation adjustment to the TRA in the YTD, and unfavorable transactional foreign currency changes related to the remeasurement of non-operating intercompany balances.

Interest expense, net

		Prior	\$	%
		YTD	YTD	Change
Interest expense, net	\$ 203	\$ 222	\$ (19)	(9 %)

The interest expense decrease of \$19 million from Prior YTD was primarily attributed to reduced interest rates resulting from term loan modification.

Income tax expense

		Prior	\$	%	
	YTD	YTD	Change	Change	
Income tax expense	\$ 82	\$ 66	\$ 16	24	%

The income tax expense increase of \$16 million from the Prior YTD was primarily attributed to an increase in Income before income taxes, partially offset by favorable year-to-date effective tax rate items. Our year-to-date effective tax rate of 26% was lower than our statutory rate primarily due to a favorable impact of 9% from the share based compensation excess tax benefit and a 3% state valuation allowance release, partially offset by a negative impact of 2% due to state taxes and a 2% foreign valuation allowance.

Changes in Comprehensive Income

The \$76 million improvement in comprehensive income from the Prior YTD was primarily attributed to a \$71 million improvement in net income, a \$27 million change in the fair value of interest rate hedges, net of tax, and a \$13 million change due to a non-cash defined benefit pension plan settlement, partially offset by a \$35 million change in currency translation. Currency translation gains and losses are primarily related to non-U.S. subsidiaries with a functional currency other than U.S. dollars whereby assets and liabilities are translated from the respective functional currency into U.S. dollars using period-end exchange rates. The change in currency translation in the YTD was primarily attributed to locations utilizing the euro, British pound sterling, and Brazilian real as the functional currency. As part of the overall risk management, the Company uses derivative instruments to reduce exposure to changes in interest rates attributed to the Company's floating-rate borrowings and records changes to the fair value of these instruments in Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss). The favorable change in fair value of these instruments in the YTD versus Prior YTD is primarily attributed to an increase in the forward interest curve between measurement dates.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

As of the end of the quarter, we had cash and cash equivalents of \$275 million, of which approximately 87% was located outside of the U.S. Our primary sources of cash are the collection of trade receivables generated from the sales of our products and services to our customers and amounts available under our existing lines of credit. Our primary uses of cash are payments for operating expenses, investments in working capital, capital expenditures, interest, taxes, debt obligations, restructuring expenses and other long-term liabilities. Based on our current level of operations, we believe that cash flow from operations and available cash, together with available borrowings under our senior secured credit facilities, will be adequate to meet our short-term liquidity needs over the next twelve months. We base such belief on historical experience and the funds available under the revolving credit facility. However, we cannot predict our future results of operations and our ability to meet our obligations involves numerous risks and uncertainties, including, but not limited to, those described in the "Risk Factors" section of our most recent Form 10-K filed with the SEC. In particular, increases in the cost of resin which we are unable to pass through to our customers on a timely basis or significant acquisitions could severely impact our liquidity.

Senior Secured Credit Facility

We manage our global cash requirements considering (i) available funds among the many subsidiaries through which we conduct business, (ii) the geographic location of our liquidity needs, and (iii) the cost to access international cash balances. In March 2017, we entered into an agreement to increase our asset-based revolving line of credit that matures in May 2020 by \$100 million to \$750 million. At the end of the Quarter, the Company had \$50 million outstanding on the revolving credit facility. The Company was in compliance with all covenants at the end of the Quarter.

A key financial metric utilized in the calculation of our debt covenants is adjusted EBITDA (defined as "EBITDA" in the Company's debt agreements, but referred herein as Adjusted EBITDA). The following table reconciles (i) our net income to Adjusted EBITDA and (ii) our cash flow from operating activities to Adjusted Free Cash Flow for the four quarters ended July 1, 2017:

	July 1, 2017 Four Quarters Ended
Net income	\$ 307
Income tax expense	88
Interest expense, net	272
Other income (expense), net	17
Other non-cash charges ^(a)	34
Restructuring and impairment	21
Business optimization ^(b)	21
24	

Depreciation and amortization	518
Acquisition Adjusted EBITDA	60
Unrealized cost savings ^(c)	64
Adjusted EBITDA	\$1,402
Cash flow from operating activities	\$870
Net additions to property, plant and equipment	(256)
Payments of tax receivable agreement	(60)
Adjusted Free Cash Flow	\$554
Cash flow from investing activities	(774)
Cash flow from financing activities	(62)

(a) Includes stock compensation expense of \$19 million and other non-cash charges

(b) Includes business optimization and integration expenses

(c) Consists of unrealized synergies related to acquisitions

Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted Free Cash Flow, as presented in this document, are supplemental financial measures that are not required by, or presented in accordance with, generally accepted accounting principles in the United States ("GAAP"). Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted Free Cash Flow are not GAAP financial measures and should not be considered as an alternative to operating income or net income or cash flows from operating activities, in each case determined in accordance with GAAP. Adjusted EBITDA is used by our lenders for debt covenant compliance.

We define "Adjusted Free Cash Flow" as cash flow from operating activities less additions to property, plant and equipment and payments of the tax receivable agreement. We believe Adjusted Free Cash Flow is useful to an investor in evaluating our liquidity because Adjusted Free Cash Flow and similar measures are widely used by investors, securities analysts and other interested parties in our industry to measure a company's liquidity.

These non-GAAP financial measures may be calculated differently by other companies, including other companies in our industry, limiting their usefulness as comparative measures.

Tax Receivable Agreement

The Company made \$60 million of TRA payments in the first fiscal quarter of 2017. The Company anticipates making \$110 million of TRA payments during fiscal 2017 with the remaining \$50 million being paid in the fourth fiscal quarter of 2017.

Cash Flows

Net cash from operating activities increased \$13 million from the Prior YTD primarily attributed to improved net income before depreciation, amortization, and other non-cash charges, partially offset by higher working capital due to timing and higher resin costs.

Net cash from investing activities decreased \$1,805 million from the Prior YTD primarily attributed to the Avintiv acquisition in the Prior YTD and decreased capital expenditures compared to the Prior YTD, partially offset by the acquisition of AEP and Adchem in the YTD.

Net cash from financing activities decreased \$1,879 million from the Prior YTD primarily attributed to the incremental financing and related costs incurred related to the Avintiv acquisition and the Providência tender offer in the Prior YTD, compared to the incremental financing and related costs incurred for the AEP acquisition in the YTD period.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

Interest Rate Sensitivity

We are exposed to market risk from changes in interest rates primarily through our senior secured credit facilities. At July 1, 2017, our senior secured credit facilities are comprised of (i) \$4.2 billion term loans and (ii) a \$750 million revolving credit facility with \$50 million of borrowings outstanding. Borrowings under our senior secured credit facilities bear interest, at our option, at either (1) an alternate base rate or (2) an adjusted LIBOR rate for a one-, two-, three- or six month interest period, or a nine- or twelve-month period, if available to all relevant lenders, in each case, plus an applicable margin. The alternate base rate is the greater of (i) in the case of our term loans, Credit Suisse's prime rate or, in the case of our revolving credit facility, Bank of America's prime rate and (ii) one-half of 1.0% over the weighted average of rates on overnight Federal Funds as published by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York. At July 1, 2017, the LIBOR rate of approximately 1.22% was applicable to the term loans. A 0.25% change in LIBOR would increase our annual interest expense by \$4 million on variable rate term loans.

In February 2013, the Company entered into a \$1 billion interest rate swap transaction with an effective date of May 2016 and expiration in May 2019. In June 2013, the Company elected to settle this derivative instrument and received \$16 million as a result of this settlement. The offset is included in Accumulated other comprehensive loss and is being amortized to Interest expense from May 2016 through May 2019, the original term of the swap agreement.

In March 2014, the Company entered into a \$1 billion interest rate swap transaction with an effective date of February 2016 and expiration in February 2019. In February 2017, in conjunction with the term loan modifications, the Company discontinued hedge accounting. Previously unrealized losses in Accumulated other comprehensive loss are being amortized to Interest expense through February 2019, the original term of the swap. In order to offset the impact of future fair value changes of the March 2014 de-designated swap, the Company entered into a mirrored offsetting swap in February 2017 and has not designated it as a hedge.

In September 2015, the Company entered into a \$1 billion interest rate swap transaction with an effective date of December 2015 and expiration in June 2019. In February 2017, in conjunction with the term loan modifications, the Company entered into an agreement to modify the terms of the original swap on a prospective basis. At this time, the Company de-designated the hedge and has re-designated the modified swap as an effective cash flow hedge. The amount included in Accumulated other comprehensive loss at the date of de-designation is being amortized to Interest expense through June 2019, the original term of the swap. The modified agreement swaps a one-month variable LIBOR contract for a fixed annual rate of 1.5190% with an effective date in March 2017 and expiration in June 2019.

In January 2017, the Company entered into a \$450 million interest rate swap transaction that swaps a one-month variable LIBOR contract for a fixed annual rate of 2.00%, with an effective date in May 2017 and expiration in May 2022.

In February 2017, the Company entered into a \$1 billion interest rate swap transaction that swaps a one-month variable LIBOR contract for a fixed annual rate of 2.3785% with an effective date in February 2017 and expiration in February 2019.

Foreign Currency Exchange Rates

As a global company, we face foreign currency risk exposure from fluctuating currency exchange rates, primarily the U.S. dollar against the euro, Brazilian real, British pound sterling, Argentine peso, Chinese yuan, Canadian dollar and Mexican peso. Significant fluctuations in currency rates can have a substantial impact, either positive or negative, on our revenue, cost of sales, and operating expenses. As there is uncertainty in the future movements in foreign exchange rates, significant fluctuations could negatively impact our future consolidated results of operations. Currency translation gains and losses are primarily related to non-U.S. subsidiaries with a functional

currency other than U.S. dollars whereby assets and liabilities are translated from the respective functional currency into U.S. dollars using period-end exchange rates and impact our Comprehensive income. While future consolidated results of operations could be materially impacted by fluctuations in currency rates, we attempt to manage our foreign currency risk on our anticipated cash movements by entering into foreign currency forward contracts to offset potential foreign exchange gains or losses. A 10% change in our foreign currency forward contracts would not result in a material change to our financial statements.

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Item 4. Controls and Procedures

(a) Evaluation of disclosure controls and procedures.

Under applicable SEC regulations, management of a reporting company, with the participation of the principal executive officer and principal financial officer, must periodically evaluate the company's "disclosure controls and procedures," which are defined generally as controls and other procedures of a reporting company designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the reporting company in its periodic reports filed with the commission (such as this Form 10-Q) is recorded, processed, summarized, and reported on a timely basis.

As reported in our 2016 Annual Report on Form 10-K, Berry's management concluded that its internal control over financial reporting and its disclosure controls and procedures were not effective as of October 1, 2016. This conclusion was specifically impacted by deficiencies in the design and operating effectiveness related to the timeliness of Berry's annual income tax provision process and the adequacy of written documentation around aspects of its foreign tax provisions resulting primarily from the increased complexity in the legal entity structure following the acquisition of Avintiv. As there were no errors in the accounting or adjustments to the consolidated financial statements as a result of these identified deficiencies, management concluded that there was no impact on Berry's prior or current period consolidated financial statements and that Berry's financial statements were presented fairly in all material respects. Since October 1, 2016, Berry's management has taken remedial actions, and in that regard, has allocated resources internally that we believe will allow us to accelerate the timing of the completion of foreign tax provisions and increase the level of written documentation related to all aspects of the income tax provision.

The Company's management, with the participation of the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer, carried out an evaluation of the effectiveness of the design and operation of the disclosure controls and procedures as of July 1, 2017. Because many of the controls in the income tax provision process operate on an annual basis, the assessment of the remediation of the above referenced material weakness will not be fully completed until the Company's fiscal year-end. As a result, management has concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were not effective as of the last day of the period covered by this report.

(b) Changes in internal controls.

Except as set forth above, there were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the quarter ended July 1, 2017 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

Part II. Other Information

Item 1. Legal Proceedings

There have been no material changes in legal proceedings from the items disclosed in our Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Item 1A. Risk Factors

Before investing in our securities, we recommend that investors carefully consider the risks described in our most recent Form 10-K filed with the SEC, including those under the heading "Risk Factors" and other information contained in this Quarterly Report. Realization of any of these risks could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, cash flows and results of operations. There were no material changes in the Company's risk factors since described in our most recent Form 10-K filed with the SEC.

All forward-looking information and subsequent written and oral forward-looking statements attributable to us, or to persons acting on our behalf, are expressly qualified in their entirety by the cautionary statements. Some of the factors that we believe could affect our results include:

- risks associated with our substantial indebtedness and debt service;
- changes in prices and availability of resin and other raw materials and our ability to pass on changes in raw material prices on a timely basis;
- performance of our business and future operating results;
- risks related to our acquisition strategy and integration of acquired businesses;
- reliance on unpatented know-how and trade secrets;
- increases in the cost of compliance with laws and regulations, including environmental, safety, and production and product laws and regulations;
- risks related to disruptions in the overall economy and the financial markets that may adversely impact our business;
- catastrophic loss of one of our key manufacturing facilities, natural disasters, and other unplanned business interruptions;
- risks of competition, including foreign competition, in our existing and future markets;
- risks related to the market acceptance of our developing technologies and products;
- general business and economic conditions, particularly an economic downturn;
- risks that our restructuring program may entail greater implementation costs or result in lower cost savings than anticipated;
- the ability of our insurance to cover fully our potential exposures; and
- the other factors discussed in our most recent Form 10-K in the section titled "Risk Factors."

We caution readers that the foregoing list of important factors may not contain all of the material factors that are important to you. In addition, in light of these risks and uncertainties, the matters referred to in the forward-looking statements contained in this Form 10-Q may not in fact occur. Accordingly, investors should not place undue reliance on those statements. We undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statement as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as otherwise required by law.

Item
6. Exhibits

- 3.1 Certificate of Amendment to the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of Berry Plastics Group, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Form 8-K filed on April 18, 2017).
- 31.1 Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) Certification of the Chief Executive Officer.*
- 31.2 Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) Certification of the Chief Financial Officer.*
- 32.1 Section 1350 Certification of the Chief Executive Officer.*
- 32.2 Section 1350 Certification of the Chief Financial Officer.*
- 101. Interactive Data Files.

* Filed herewith.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

Berry Global Group, Inc.

August 4, 2017 By: /s/ Mark W. Miles

Mark W. Miles

Chief Financial Officer